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Sewers, Streets and Bonds.

Assuming that no appeal reverses Judge Cox's able decision in respect to the highway act, and assuming that no amendment pending an appeal can mould this act into a shape which will be acceptable to the people as well as to the courts, then the highway act, which in its present form has come to be a menace to the District, receives from Judge Cox what will prove to be its death-blow. The section of the bond bill which relates to street-extension of course shares the fate of the highway act, and the \$2,650,000 proposed for this purpose, if no satisfactory revision of street extension is effected, will be deducted from the proposed bond issue, and the biil wiil become exclusively instead of mainly a sewer bill, carrying \$4,850,000 instead of \$7,500,000. As to its main purposes and the greater part of the appropriation proposed by it the bond bill is untouched by Judge Cox's decision. The bond bill in making a small and concededly inadequate appropriation for street extension sought indireetly to amend the fatal provision of the highway act which exempted the United States from all interest and obligation in respect to the National Capital and the Federal District beyond old Boundary street of George Washington's plan. If the highway act is destroyed outright of course this otherwise essential amendment becomes unnecessary. But any one who per sistently identifies the sewer-street extension bend bill with the highway act which it seeks to radically amend, in order to shower believe in the principles of the bond bill, is either very ignorant or very knavish. And The Star repeats that those honest but sewer bonds and give intelligent reasons for their opposition should not be subjected to 'he opprobrium which attaches t) that opponent whose position on public questions is determined by the success or failure of blackmailing operations connected comprehensive sewerage plan and in street extension and in a bond bill are not thieves and jobbers; and perhaps only one of those fessed blackmailer.

The Rule of Three.

Should the Senate decide to admit Mr. Dupont to a seat as a representative of Delaware in the upper house it will be possible for that body to comply with the constitutional injunction to divide evenly into three classes for the first time in over five years. The admission of the Utah Senators brings the present total up to 89, and the recognition of the claims of Mr. Dupont will make 90 members, which will give three classes of 30 Senators each. It was to conform to the requirement of the Constitution that the Utah Senators were yesterday assigned to short terms, one ending March 3, 1807, and the other March 3, 1809. The requirement is that the Senate when originally organized should divide "as evenly as may be" into three classes so that one-third of the body. year. The 1901 class, including the seat to which Mr. Dupont claims to have been elected, now contains 30 Senators, while with the men from Utah the classes of '97 and '99 go up to an equal number. Were one of them to be given the six year term the 1901 class would contain 31 Senators. the '90 class 30 Senators, and the '97 class 29 Senators, thus establishing an inequality that would never be compensated except by a curtailment of two or three terms some time in the future. In 1889 the admission of Washington as a state gave 84 members to the Senate, which then divided into three classes of 28 each. This was broken the next year by the admission of Wyoming and Idaho and the equality has not yet been re-established. The last previous occasion when the Senate was divisible by three was in 76-7, when Colorado's Senators were given seats, and this was not broken until the admission of the Dakotas in 1889.

Free Library Legislation.

With commendable promptness the Senators composing the sub-committee on the free library bill have decided to report that measure favorably to the full District committee next Friday. Should the full committee accept the finding of those to whom was entrusted the detailed examination of the bill the prospects are that the measure within a few days will be placed on the calendar of the Senate, from which it may he cailed at any time by unanimous con sent for its passage. It ought to be an easy task to secure this action. The bill commends itself at once to any one who examines it with any degree of intelligent attention, and should meet with no opposition whatever.

It is somewhat distressing to realize that this protracted and exhaustive discussion by the District politicians must, even when it is concluded, be regarded as leaving several important questions unsettled.

---There are numerous applications for Mr. Aifred Austin's autographs. Some people would rather read one of them then one of

The Armenian Resolutions. The House of Representatives yesterday gave prompt concurrence in the resolutions passed by the Senate last week expressing the horror of this nation at the Armenian massacres and outrages, and it now re mains to be seen what international effecthis action will have. The resolutions are expressive of a strong sentiment, and request the President to ask the nations of Europe why they have not kept their promises to institute reforms in the Sultan's domains. Beyond this they require no positive action by this government, although they may lead to practical results at a later stage. A controversy has already arisen as to whether or not this enactment requires the signature of the President The Constitution-Art. I., Sect. 7, par.#3provides that "every order, resolution or vote to which the concurrence of the Sen ate and House of Representatives may be necessary (except on a question of adjournment) shall be presented to the President. and before the same shall take effect shall be approved by him," etc. Latterly the houses have frequently passed resolutions in "concurrent" form, with the understanding that this avoided the necessity for presenting them to the executive, while only bills and joint resolutions have been sent in that channel. The concurrent resolution, therefore, has come to be a convenient form of congressional expression of opinion, when it has not been the intention to

THE EVENING STAR, veto power, while the houses may then, if pass it over the veto, thus finally dominating the policy of the nation. But there is no prospect of such a conflict in the present case. The President is believed to be heartily in sympathy with the movement to bring about a cessation of the horrors of Turkish tyranny in Armenia, and should the resolution be presented to him for his approval it is expected that he will promptly give it. In his annual message Mr. Cleveland said:

"By treaty several of the most powerfu European powers have secured a right and have assumed a duty not only in behalf of their own citizens and in furtherance of their own interests, but as agents of the Christian world. Their right is to enforce such conduct of Turkish government as will restrain fanatical brutality, and if this fails their duty is to so interfere as to insure against such dreadful occurrences in Tur-key as have lately shocked civilization. The powers declare this right and this duty to be theirs alone, and it is earnestly hoped that prompt and effective action on their part will not be delayed."

The resolution just passed, it will be noted, after reciting the historic facts lead ing up to the present disgraceful state of affairs, requests the President to communicate to the powers signatory to the Berlin treaty "the profound regret of the American people and their government that the engagements made in that convention for the security of the Armenian Christians have not been performed." Then the enactment goes further, to this concluding effect: "That the government of the United States expresses its sympathy for the Armenian people and its hope that the government of the Sultan will at orce extend to them full and adequate protection for the preservation of life, the security of property, and the free exercise of religion." In communicating with Great Britain, Germany, Austria, France, Italy, Russia and Turkey the President will be carrying out not only the request of the national legislature, but also his own sentiments, as expressed in his annual message to Con-

Slow Public Building Methods.

It is evident from a resolution which passed the House recently that official procrastination and leisurely methods have been by no means confined to the construction of the public building in this city, for the citizens of San Francisco are now blackguardly, lying abuse upon those who making complaint that the post-office in that metropolis is not in a fair way to be completed in their day and generation, The Secretary of the Treasury has theremen who oppose not only street extension fore been called upon to inform the House what progress has been made upon th building, which was appropriated for in the act of March 3, 1893, nearly three years ago, and to give the reasons for the delay in its prosecution and completion. Thanks to the constant attention paid by The Star therewith. The citizens who believe in a to the Washington post-office building that structure has been pushed ahead with more or less speed since fifteen or sixteer menths ago, but there is yet a good deal who think differently on these public ques- to be desired in the way of foresight and tions is a recognized blackguard and con- comprehensive planning to prevent long lapses between contracts. A fine show has been made and the walls have been run up with a certain amount of speed, but there is no hint yet of interior finishing which in most commercial structures would by this time have been well under way if not near completion.

Wellesley College girls have offered to go without butter for a month if by that means they can raise money to send to the Armenians. Perhaps they may yet carry their self-sacrifice to the point of going without chewing gum.

Mr. Foraker declares that he is for Maj. McKinley for President and denies that he has been favoring Mr. Morton. He teels that it is just as well for an Ohio statesman to avoid identifying himself too closely with New York.

The Emperor William has no objection to peace, but he objects to being interfered with in drawing up the plans and specifications for it.

So far a good many of the presidential become are disposed to keep their operations strictly within the boundary lines of their own states.

There is one Minnesota city which feels sure all this trouble would never have happened if the ship's rame had not been "St.

There were sixty-two men at work today on the city post-office building.

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A Dreadful Possibility. The leap year youth exclaimed, "Oh, how My soul with fear it strikes! Perhaps new women bold will now Pursue me on their bikes!"

Why He Feared. "No." she said, "father does not like

"But he seemed very friendly last night."

"You played poker with him." "Well, he says that he cannot conscien-

tiously intrust my future to a man who bets only one white chip on three dcuces. Both Ends of the Dispute.

"This Imperor av Germany," said Mr. Dolan, "is a ter'ble hand fur an argymint." "He is that same," replied Mrs. Dolan. "Begorrah, there's a mon that'll hov the lasht worrud, avin' if he has to be the furrust to mintion it."

Their Merits Compared. "What you want," said the practical man

who had gone to China as a missionary, "is civilization." "How do you propose to give it to us?" inquired a man who had served against the

Japanese "Well," was the thoughtful reply, 'prayerbooks are the most lasting. But gunbcats are a great deal quicker.".

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The noise of the world babbles distant and soft. And the cannon's dull rattle the trum pet's rude blare

Would mellow, should War hurl his banner aloft. For gentleness only can penetrate there I's a spot that was ever a stranger to fear: A shelter 'gainst fate which no storm

ever shock. and the hours are my comrades, who whisper of cheer. and the book.

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commit the administration to any definite line of policy of action or sentiment. It has thus tended to preserve the barriers placed by the Constitution between the executive and legislative branches of the government. At times the legislature seeks to bind the administration to a set course, and it is the right of the President to checkmate such a move by the exercise of the

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